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For: NITRIDE SEMICONDUCTOR LASER  
DEVICE AND LASER APPARATUS USING  
THE SAME

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**LETTER**

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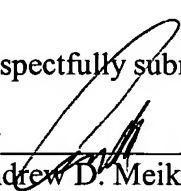
Sir:

Subsequent to the filing of the above-identified application on January 9, 2006, attached hereto is an English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/409) that should be made of record in the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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